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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: ISLAMIC SUMMIT, CODEL LANTOS;
THE MIDDLE EAST.

THE MAJOR STORY IN ALL MOROCCAN MEDIA CONTINUED TO BE THE 4TH ISLAMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE. TODAY'S PRESS GAVE WIDE COVERAGE TO THE STATEMENTS OF THE TWO MAJOR SPEAKERS AT YESTERDAY'S OPENING SESSION: KING FAHD OF SAUDI ARABIA, AND KING HASSAN. KING FAHD DECLARED THAT, "THE FEZ PLAN IS THE KEY TO THE SOLUTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

"RISSALAT AL OUMMA" (CONSTITUTIONAL UNION PARTY, ARABIC LANGUAGE), ON PAGE 2 REPORTED THE RECEPTION GIVEN FOR THE LANTOS CODEL BY MUSTAPHA TARIK, THE GOVERNOR OF MARRAKESH.

IN NEWS OF THE MIDDLE EAST: A PAGE 1 COMMENTARY BY KHALID JAMAI IN "L'OPINION" (ISTIQLAL PARTY, FRENCH LANGUAGE DAILY) WHICH DISCUSSES INCREASED COOPERATION BETWEEN KING HUSSEIN AND THE PLO FINDS THAT, "SUCH JORDANIAN-PALESTINIAN COORDINATION AND COOPERATION COULD HELP TO CONVINCE THE U.S.A. TO EXERCISE PRESSURE ON ISRAEL IN ORDER TO BLOCK ISRAEL'S ANNEXATION POLICIES."

THE COMMENTARY CONTINUES, "BUT SUCH COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WILL NOT ATTAIN THEIR GOALS UNLESS THEY ARE SUPPORTED BY THE ARAB WORLD, WHICH AT THE SAME TIME MUST PUT PRESSURE ON THE UNITED STATES."

BOTH "RISSALAT AL OUMMA" (CONSTITUTIONAL UNION PARTY, ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILY) AND "AL ITTIHAD AL ICHTIRAKI" (USFP, SOCIALIST PARTY, ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILY), REPORT NEW "RAIDS BY AMERICAN MARINES" IN LEBANON. BOTH PAPERS, AS WELL AS "AL ALAM" (ISTIQLAL PARTY, ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILY), CARRY STORIES WHICH REFER TO, "THE REINFORCEMENT OF THE AMERICAN-ISRAELI STRATEGIC ALLIANCE." MALIK
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